## 2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

A DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

- Board discussion of possible amendments to correct or clarify the KHPA statutory scheme in three areas:
  - Executive Director authority
  - Health Care Commission integration
  - Technical amendments

### KHPA statutes K.S.A. 75-7401 et seq

- Executive Director's powers and duties
  - DHPF had cabinet level secretary as director and the statues that were folded into the KHPA were written in that context
  - Agency head-individual or body of individuals in whom the ultimate legal authority of the state agency is vested by any provision of law
    - DHPF-Director
    - KHPA-Board

- Board focus on core mission and policy
- Executive Director
  - Operations
  - Regulations
  - Appellate Reconsideration
  - Contracting

#### HCC statutes K.S.A. 75-6501 et seq

- The Health Care Commission is a 5 member commission responsible for contracting the state employees health plan
- Goal is to begin integration of HCC processes into KHPA structure, either by inclusion of KHPA representative on the commission or other means

# TECHNICAL AMENDMENT EXAMPLES

- Substitute KHPA for KDHE as administrator and statistical agent for the health care data base. K.S.A. 40-2251; K.S.A. 40-2252
- Add KHPA to the probate code as an agency which must be notified of trusts for individuals receiving benefits. K.S.A. 59-3080
- Enact a similar statute to K.S.A. 75-3306 related to fair hearings for SRS, specific to KHPA
- Substitution of KHPA for SRS in other statues pertinent to KHPA functions

#### Under consideration:

- Third party liability and subrogation upgrade
- False claims act
- Board compensation
- Insurance coverage